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# Tongass National Forest Land Management Plan Revision

## THEME

The theme of this alternative is to emphasize high-quality fish and wildlife habitat, wilderness and unroaded areas, and scenic rivers, scenic quality, subsistence use, and a wide range of recreation opportunities in a natural setting. It incorporates the 23 areas recommended for wilderness designation in House of Representatives Bill 987 (H.R. 987). Timber harvest and mining may occur at levels compatible with the amenity emphasis of this alternative.

## ALTERNATIVE A

Direction Common to All Management Areas

All management areas provide for the continuation of reasonable access to subsistence (caribou and moose), and the 200,000 acres of riparian habitat, and other means. All management areas are open to mineral exploration and development with six exceptions: 1) Wilderness National Monument, 2) Admiralty Island National Monument, 3) Wrangell-St. Elias National Monument, 4) Wrangell National Monument, 5) Wrangell National Monument, 6) Wrangell National Monument.

Management Area Prescription Acres Allocated

RECOMMENDED AND EXISTING WILDERNESS/NATIONAL MONUMENTS	
RV - Recommended Wilderness - Maintain inherent wilderness characteristics by keeping as essentially unmodified natural environment. Interim management will follow the standards and guidelines outlined under the Federal Land Management Policy Act (FLMPA). Existing uses in these areas may continue at their present level of intensity.	1,818,213 1/
WW - Wilderness - Manage for the preservation of areas essentially unaffected by human use that provide outstanding opportunities for solitude, primitive recreation, and scientific and aesthetic interest. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	2,373,509 2/
NW - Wilderness National Monument - Manage for the Wilderness portions of Admiralty Island and Wrangell National Monument to provide outstanding opportunities for solitude and primitive recreation and to provide outstanding opportunities for scientific and aesthetic interest. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	3,026,446 3/
NW - Non-Wilderness National Monument - Manage the non-wilderness portions of Admiralty Island and Wrangell National Monument to provide outstanding opportunities for scientific and aesthetic interest. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	103,033
NATURAL SETTING	
RA - Research Natural Area - Manage natural resources and education and/or research will occur.	67,684 2/3/
PR - Primitive Recreation - Provide recreation opportunities and experiences for solitude, primitive recreation, and scientific and aesthetic interest. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	3,619,211
EW - Enacted Municipal Watersheds - Manage enacted municipal watersheds to meet State Water Quality Standards for domestic use. Timber harvesting will be limited to riparian habitat and riparian habitat will be protected. Roads are limited to administrative and scientific purposes.	9,733
OG - Old-Growth Habitat - Maintain old-growth habitat in its natural condition to benefit riparian habitat and fish and wildlife. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	994,042
SP - Semi-Primitive Recreation - Provide recreational and non-motorized recreation opportunities in natural and cultural environments where interaction with wilderness is desired. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	339,164
MODERATE DEVELOPMENT	
EF - Experimental Forests - Manage to provide a variety of long-term opportunities for forest research and demonstration. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	48,836
SV - Scenic Viewshed - Manage scenic viewsheds as they are not subject to the landscape is viewed from road or other visual routes. Recreation sites, popular areas, and scenic viewsheds are managed to provide scenic quality. Roads are limited to administrative and scientific purposes.	688,708 (143,273) 7/
VT - Visual-Timber - Emphasize maintaining scenic quality. Timber harvesting and roads are permitted in riparian habitat and riparian habitat will be protected.	1,268,656 (268,656) 7/
RN - Roaded Natural/Rural Recreation - Provide recreation opportunities associated with natural and non-motorized activities generally accessible by conventional motor vehicles. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	77,118 (14,244) 7/
INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT	
TM - Timber Production - Manage the area to produce and promote industrial road production. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	1,067,337 (268,656) 7/
NW - Minerals - Encourage the exploration and development of mineral resources in riparian habitat and riparian habitat will be protected. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	15,287 4/
NOT MAPPED DUE TO SCALE	
BF - Beach Fringe and Estuary - Manage for natural beach fringe and estuary. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	383,147
SL - Stream and Lake Protection - 3/ - Maintain or enhance fish and wildlife habitat and riparian habitat. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	82,478 6/
SA - Special Areas - Provide for the inventory, maintenance, interpretation, and protection of areas with archeological, historical, Native American religious, scenic, geological, biological, zoological, paleontological, or other special values. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	6,231
Member of River Segments/Wild of River	
WR - Wild River - Maintain and enhance the outstandingly scenic quality of river segments which qualify the river to be classified a Wild River. Shoreline development, logging, and other activities are limited. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	961,208 6/
SR - Scenic River - Maintain and enhance the outstandingly scenic quality of river segments which qualify the river to be classified a Scenic River. Shoreline development, logging, and other activities are limited. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	12,137 8/
RR - Recreation River - Maintain and enhance the outstandingly scenic quality of river segments which qualify the river to be classified a Recreation River. Shoreline development, logging, and other activities are limited. Roads are not permitted and use of mechanical transport and motorized equipment is limited.	17,161 6/

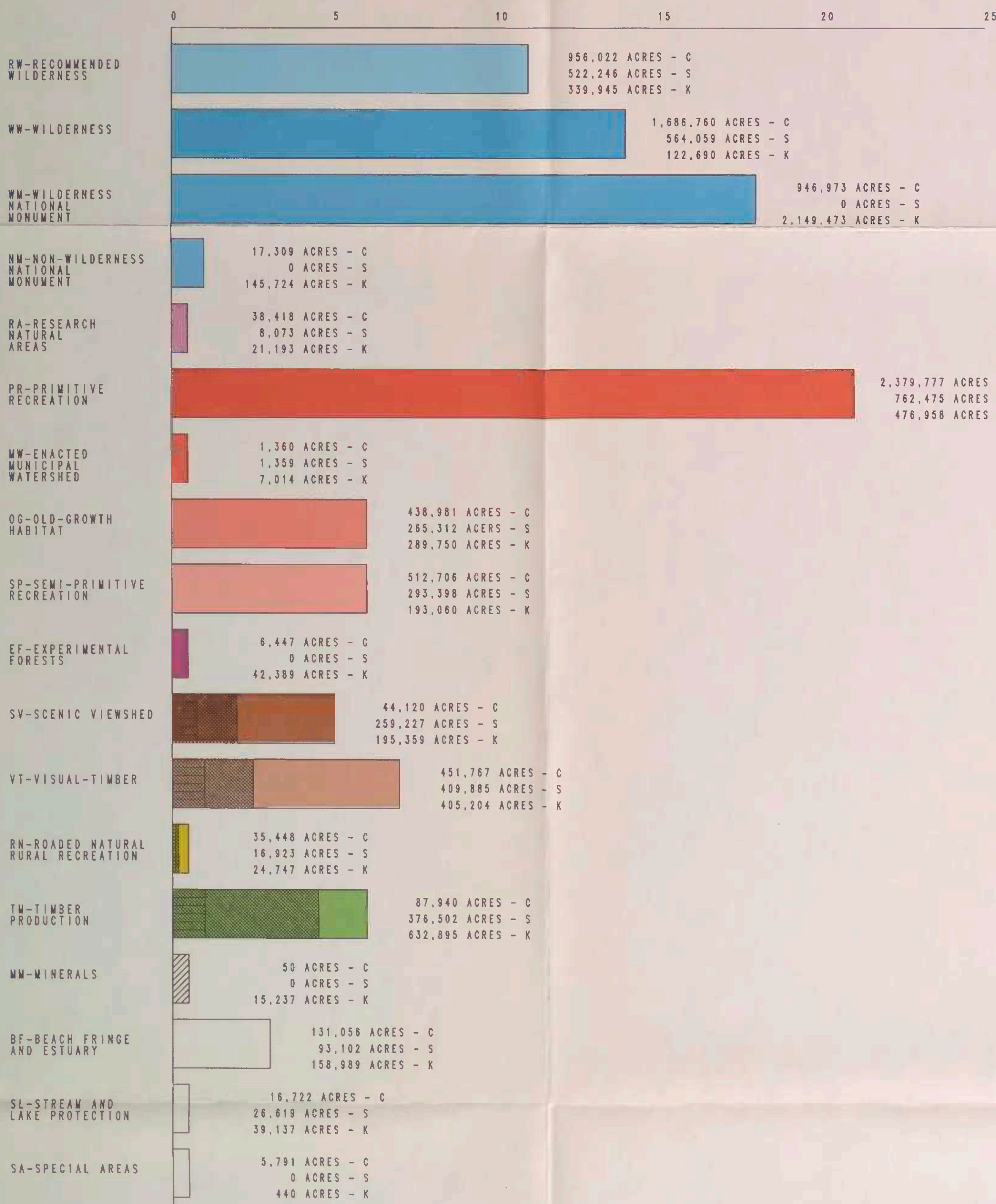
Approximate location of lands considered for timber harvest in this alternative

## VICINITY MAP



## PERCENT OF TOTAL FOREST IN EACH PRESCRIPTION

CHATHAM - C, STIKINE - S, KETCHIKAN - K



LANDS CONSIDERED FOR TIMBER HARVEST IN THIS ALTERNATIVE

Management Area	Chatham Area		Stikine Area		Ketchikan Area	
	Number of River Segments	Miles of Rivers	Number of River Segments	Miles of Rivers	Number of River Segments	Miles of Rivers
WR - Wild Rivers	22	272	31	296	37	638
SR - Scenic Rivers	6	36	9	82	4	43
RR - Recreation Rivers						



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